

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 111

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A RESOLUTION to urge the United States Congress to oppose funding reductions in career and technical education programs.

WHEREAS, the career and technical education programs available to our students here in Tennessee and across this great Nation are a most vital tool for the economic future and advancement of the United States; and

WHEREAS, on February 11, the House Appropriations Committee in Washington, D.C. introduced legislation, H.R.1, legislation which completely eliminates funding for the Perkins Tech Prep program for the 2011-2012 school year and makes drastic cuts across other education and workforce development programs; and

WHEREAS, career and technical education programs play an integral role in providing our students with the experience and training necessary to compete in the modern economy and a reduction in funding will harm Tennessee's students and communities, both big and small, as well as the economic well-being of America; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that this General Assembly hereby memorializes the United States Congress to oppose any reduction in funding of career and technical education programs, including the Perkins Tech Prep program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the President and the Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker and the Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, and to each member of Tennessee's Congressional delegation.